

1. What is your vision for California agriculture by 2030?

A California agriculture that promotes and assists the small farm and dairy operation with bona fide, workable standards, not counter-productive and destructive standards like 10 coliforms max for milk that only benefits big, dirty AG.

2. What will be the biggest challenge in achieving that vision?

Getting an objective and impartial response from CDFA.
Better yet, how about CDFA doing something constructive like monitoring imported foods and labs:

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/chi-tainted-foodmay27,0,3491844.story?page=1>

There is a tsunami of autistic kids coming who need raw butter to heal their vaccine damaged guts. As more parents put their kids on the SCD (specific carbohydrate diet) they will demand raw butter and raw goat's milk to make yogurt from.

There is a bigger tsunami coming with superbugs; i.e. in 2005, 300K hospitalizations and growing more than 10K per year for C-diff:

<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=/n/a/2008/05/28/national/a060521D93.DTL>

When California decided to shaft raw dairy, they make it harder for parents who are trying to recover their kids and for older folks to get the intestinal fortitude to overcome these health challenges - superbugs of the future are getting a boost for CDFA.

3. In 2030, how has the public perception of agriculture changed?

Californians will look back to 2008 and say; they had a chance to combat these epidemics, and instead CDFA not only stood in the way of any hope of balancing gut health with healthful foods and clean, model dairies but instead chose to put them out of business.

4. What is a "must have" in an Ag Vision for California?

Having a CDFA that is not a political arm of big AG.

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